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FOR THE SECRETARY FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PEPR MASS EG
SUBJECT: SADAT REQUEST RE C-130'S

1. MID-AFTERNOON TODAY VP MUBARAK CALLED ON SECURE PHONE AT SADAT'S BEHEST. MUBARAK SAID SADAT HAD FORGOTTEN TO MENTION TO ME EARLIER IN THE DAY AN URGENT MATTER CONCERNING ADDITIONAL C-130'S FOR EGYPT. ACCORDING TO SADAT (AS CONVEYED TO ME THROUGH MUBARAK), HE AND PRESIDENT CARTER HAD AGREED THAT THE USG WILL PROVIDE SIX C-130'S ON "VERY URGENT" BASIS FROM USAF INVENTORIES. SADAT IS ANXIOUS TO HAVE THESE SIX C-130'S AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE.

2. I TOLD MUBARAK THAT I WAS NOT AWARE OF ANY SUCH DISCUSSION, BUT WOULD AT ONCE REPORT HIS REQUEST. THE MATTER HAD COME UP DURING SECRETARY BROWN'S TALK WITH SADAT, BUT THE SECRETARY HAD POINTED OUT THAT TAKING C-130'S FROM EXISTING USAF INVENTORIES WOULD DEGRADE USAF CAPABILITY. HENCE, IN SECRETARY BROWN'S VIEW, THIS IS NOT A PARTICULARLY FEASIBLE ROUTE. INSTEAD, WE
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HAD EXPLORED IN DEPARTMENT POSSIBILITY OF SOMEHOW GETTING HOLD OF C-130'S PURCHASED BY LIBYA BUT STILL HELD IN U.S. THERE ARE FORMIDABLE LEGAL PROBLEMS TO SUCH AN ARRANGEMENT AND WE WOULD NOT GUARANTEE THAT THESE COULD BE MADE AVAILABLE. SUBJECT NEVERTHELESS STILL BEING STUDIED.

3. COMMENT: ALTHOUGH I WAS INVOLVED IN QUITE A FEW C-130 DISCUSSIONS DURING MY RECENT WASHINGTON CONSULTATIONS, THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I HAVE HEARD ANY SUGGESTION THAT PRESIDENT CARTER HAS AGREED TO PROVIDE SIX C-130'S ON AN URGENT BASIS FROM USAF STOCKS. IF THIS IS INDEED SO, PLEASE ADVISE WHAT I SHOULD TELL SADAT AS TO WHEN THESE AIRCRAFT MIGHT BE MADE AVAILABLE. IF IT IS NOT TRUE, THEN IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO KNOW WHAT THE PROSPECTS ARE OF OVERCOMING THE LEGAL HURDLES TO OBTAINING THE LIBYAN PURCHASED C-130'S. EILTS

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